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For: **METHOD OF PRODUCING A COLD TEMPERATURE HIGH
TOUGHNESS STRUCTURAL STEEL TUBING**

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The assignees are:

Names of assignees: TRW Automotive U.S. LLC and Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.

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The extent of the interest in this invention that the disclaimants own is:

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TRW Automotive U.S. LLC and Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd. together jointly own one hundred percent (100%) of the ownership interest in this invention

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(if applicable)

- ☒ The assignments were recorded on December 23, 2009 and August 28, 2006
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